

on this appropriations bill that affects our budget, we use different standards than we do on other appropriations bills. That is wrong.

The ranking member, the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. MORAN), pointed out there are only eight amendments that were offered to the Committee on Rules. It would have been very easy to allow those amendments to be considered and then use the democratic process to either vote up or down those amendments. But, no, the majority refuses to allow us to have a debate on this floor on issues that affect the manner in which we operate the legislative branch.

I am particularly disappointed that the amendment offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. SHERMAN) was not made in order. We have an obligation to make sure that the resources of this body are used appropriately. That is the Committee on Appropriations' responsibility; that is the responsibility of our debate on the legislative branch bill. Yet we are not going to have an opportunity to see whether we could use a better standard on the franking privileges of our committees.

It is my understanding that the majority controlled that. The minority has no opportunity. The majority has used that at least in one committee in a partisan manner. That is wrong. We should have a chance to be able to debate that issue.

We work together to try to make sure that the resources of the legislative are used appropriately. In this case, it looks like it was not. Our opportunity to speak is when the legislative appropriation bill is on the floor. We are going to be denied that opportunity, because the majority refused to make in order an amendment so we could have that debate. That is wrong.

Therefore, I would ask my colleagues to reject this amendment, reject this rule, so that we have an opportunity to be able to have a full discussion on the legislative branch appropriation, as we would on any other appropriations bill that comes before this body.

□ 1145

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Let me just close by saying, Mr. Speaker, that the amendment offered by our colleague, the gentleman from California (Mr. SHERMAN), was perfectly germane. The only reason in the world it was turned down was for political reasons. It was a major embarrassment that they had been found out, and I have to assure the people who are listening today that on my part, and I am sure on the part of others, that we will not rest until we rectify this mistake, although it is not a mistake. It is a blatant attempt, frankly, to misuse taxpayers' money as incumbent protection.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. LINDER. Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support the rule, I yield back the balance of my time, and I move the previous question on the resolution.

The previous question was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. FOSSELLA). The question is on the resolution.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This vote will be followed by two 5-minute votes on House Resolution 706 and H.R. 3980.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 223, nays 194, not voting 16, as follows:

[Roll No. 336]

YEAS—223

Abercrombie	Foley	McKeon
Aderholt	Forbes	Mica
Akin	Fossella	Miller (FL)
Bachus	Franks (AZ)	Miller (MI)
Baker	Frelinghuysen	Miller, Gary
Ballenger	Gallegly	Moran (KS)
Barrett (SC)	Garrett (NJ)	Murphy
Bartlett (MD)	Gerlach	Musgrave
Barton (TX)	Gibbons	Myrick
Bass	Gilchrest	Nethercutt
Beauprez	Gillmor	Neugebauer
Bereuter	Gingrey	Ney
Biggert	Goode	Northup
Billrakis	Goodlatte	Norwood
Bishop (UT)	Goss	Nunes
Blackburn	Granger	Nussle
Blunt	Graves	Osborne
Boehlert	Green (WI)	Ose
Boehner	Greenwood	Otter
Bonilla	Gutknecht	Paul
Bonner	Hall	Pearce
Bono	Harris	Pence
Boozman	Hart	Peterson (PA)
Bradley (NH)	Hastings (WA)	Petri
Brady (TX)	Hayes	Pickering
Brown (SC)	Hayworth	Pitts
Brown-Waite,	Hefley	Pombo
Ginny	Hensarling	Porter
Burgess	Herger	Portman
Burns	Hobson	Pryce (OH)
Burr	Hoekstra	Putnam
Burton (IN)	Holt	Radanovich
Buyer	Hostettler	Ramstad
Calvert	Houghton	Regula
Camp	Hulshof	Rehberg
Cannon	Hunter	Renzi
Cantor	Hyde	Reynolds
Capito	Isakson	Rogers (AL)
Carter	Issa	Rogers (KY)
Castle	Istook	Rogers (MI)
Chabot	Jenkins	Rohrabacher
Chocola	Johnson (CT)	Ros-Lehtinen
Coble	Johnson (IL)	Royce
Cole	Johnson, Sam	Ryan (WI)
Cox	Jones (NC)	Ryun (KS)
Crane	Keller	Saxton
Crenshaw	Kelly	Schrock
Cubin	Kennedy (MN)	Sensenbrenner
Culberson	King (IA)	Sessions
Cunningham	King (NY)	Shadegg
Davis, Jo Ann	Kingston	Shaw
Davis, Tom	Kirk	Shays
Deal (GA)	Kline	Sherwood
DeLay	Knollenberg	Shimkus
DeMint	Kolbe	Shuster
Diaz-Balart, L.	Latham	Simmons
Diaz-Balart, M.	LaTourette	Simpson
Doolittle	Leach	Smith (MI)
Dreier	Lewis (CA)	Smith (NJ)
Duncan	Lewis (KY)	Smith (TX)
Dunn	Linder	Souder
Ehlers	LoBiondo	Stearns
Emerson	Lucas (OK)	Sullivan
English	Manzullo	Sweeney
Everett	McCotter	Tancred
Feeney	McCrery	Taylor (NC)
Ferguson	McHugh	Terry
Flake	McInnis	Thomas

Thornberry
Tiahrt
Tiberi
Toomey
Turner (OH)
Upton
Vitter

Walden (OR)
Walsh
Wamp
Weldon (FL)
Weldon (PA)
Weller
Whitfield

Wicker
Wilson (NM)
Wilson (SC)
Wolf
Young (AK)
Young (FL)

NAYS—194

Ackerman	Herseth	Olver
Alexander	Hill	Ortiz
Allen	Hinojosa	Owens
Andrews	Hoeffel	Pallone
Baca	Holden	Pascarell
Baird	Hoolley (OR)	Pastor
Baldwin	Hoyer	Payne
Becerra	Inslee	Pelosi
Bell	Israel	Peterson (MN)
Berkley	Jackson (IL)	Pomeroy
Berman	Jackson-Lee	Price (NC)
Bishop (GA)	(TX)	Rahall
Bishop (NY)	Jefferson	Rangel
Boswell	John	Reyes
Boucher	Johnson, E. B.	Rodriguez
Boyd	Jones (OH)	Ross
Brady (PA)	Kanjorski	Rothman
Brown (OH)	Kaptur	Roybal-Allard
Brown, Corrine	Kennedy (RI)	Ruppersberger
Capps	Kildee	Rush
Capuano	Kilpatrick	Ryan (OH)
Cardin	Kind	Sabo
Cardoza	Klecza	Sanchez, Linda
Carson (OK)	Kucinich	T.
Case	Lampson	Sanchez, Loretta
Chandler	Langevin	Sanders
Clay	Lantos	Sandlin
Clyburn	Larsen (WA)	Schakowsky
Conyers	Larson (CT)	Schiff
Cooper	Lee	Scott (GA)
Costello	Levin	Scott (VA)
Cramer	Lewis (GA)	Serrano
Crowley	Lipinski	Sherman
Cummings	Lofgren	Skelton
Davis (AL)	Lowe	Slaughter
Davis (CA)	Lucas (KY)	Smith (WA)
Davis (FL)	Lynch	Snyder
Davis (IL)	Majette	Solis
Davis (TN)	Maloney	Spratt
DeFazio	Markey	Stark
DeGette	Marshall	Stenholm
Delahunt	Matheson	Strickland
DeLauro	Matsui	Stupak
Dicks	McCarthy (MO)	Tanner
Dingell	McCarthy (NY)	Tauscher
Doggett	McCollum	Taylor (MS)
Dooley (CA)	McDermott	Thompson (CA)
Doyle	McGovern	Thompson (MS)
Edwards	McIntyre	Tierney
Emanuel	McNulty	Towns
Engel	Meeks (NY)	Turner (TX)
Eshoo	Menendez	Udall (CO)
Etheridge	Michaud	Udall (NM)
Evans	Millender-	Van Hollen
Farr	McDonald	Velázquez
Fattah	Miller (NC)	Visclosky
Finler	Miller, George	Waters
Ford	Mollohan	Watson
Frank (MA)	Moore	Watt
Frost	Moran (VA)	Waxman
Gonzalez	Murtha	Weiner
Gordon	Nadler	Wexler
Green (TX)	Napolitano	Woolsey
Grijalva	Neal (MA)	Wu
Gutierrez	Oberstar	Wynn
Harman	Obey	

NOT VOTING—16

Berry	Hastings (FL)	Oxley
Blumenauer	Hinchey	Platts
Carson (IN)	Honda	Quinn
Collins	LaHood	Tauzin
Deutsch	Meehan	
Gephardt	Meek (FL)	

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. FOSSELLA) (during the vote). Members are advised that 2 minutes remain in this vote.

□ 1211

Mr. DAVIS of Tennessee, Mr. BACA and Mrs. DAVIS of California changed their vote from "yea" to "nay."

Mrs. NORTHUP changed her vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the resolution was agreed to.